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Warning Service Saves Thousands

At one time or another almost everyone has made some disparaging remark about weather forecasters. If a TV weatherman predicts sunshine at the coast, a viewer might cynically comment that this is a sure indication of rain.

But, in taking a look at the Texas hurricane from a safe distance, all who have spoken lightly of weathermen might well eat their words. Newspapers, radio and TV were able to report the impending destruction of Hurricane Carla long before it struck because of the Hurricane Weather Service and its aviators who search out and study this gathering wrath of Old Mother Nature.

Death toll of Carla, which was as damaging as a hydrogen bomb, and the tornadoes it spawned totaled only 17 in Texas as of Tuesday night. Testimony of the scientific progress made in weather predicting is evident when one considers the fact that a similar hurricane that struck the vulnerable Texas coast in 1900 claimed more than 6000 lives. Quite a difference! Hundreds of thousands of residents were able to flee and seek shelter from Carla when they heard the accurate reports of impending disaster.

The remarkable weather service, with its many phases, has become a vital service for all citizens. The Hurricane Weather Service has become as important a defense against Old Mother Nature and its destructive forces as the DEW line and Strategic Air Command are against the possibility of aggression by a hostile power and nuclear attack.

Chaff and Chatter

By Wes Sherman

A BUNCH of the boys were slurring it up when into town from the west rode Jaunty Jim McGee. He pushed open the door of Ella's Coffee bar and grill and stood face to face with flint-eyed Clint McQuarrie, Wild Bill Collins and a half-dozen more of Heppner's stony-faced main street cowboys.

McGee silently reached in his pocket and drew out a coin. His face blanched when it came up tails on the flip. This was it. He faced the other men squarely and slowly his right hand went to his hip.

Later in the season the coach came back and spoke to the same group. At the end, the same man asked the question, "How did you finish the season?"

"We won first," proudly replied Sutherland.

"Huh!" murmured the heckler, "Must have been a weak league."

THE KAMIKAZE is back. These are in the form of suicidal, dive-bombing flies that are so pestiferous in the fall of the year. The sticky little critters keep a fellow batting at them frantically.

This brings us to the point of philosophizing that progress hasn't done so well on eliminating flies. True, you can get all manner of sprays, but some members of our family are more allergic to the sprays than the flies are.

We resorted to the old fly swatter, but a few wild whiffs and it was wrecked. Then we thought longingly of sticky fly paper, recalling the old cook-house that was well protected with it in the logging camp days nearly 40 years ago. (A fellow had to be careful where he sat down).

But our problem was solved when we talked to Roy Carter of Economy.

"Why don't you get some of these fly ribbons?" he asked. We thought those had gone out years ago with the coming of Raid, Biff and Black Leaf Forty.

But Roy Carter had had other calls for the sticky stuff, had made inquiry and found that it was still manufactured. A little unsightly, to be sure, but it does the job. We now have quite a graveyard hanging from the ceiling for the "Kamakaze" flies here.

ROICE FULLETON was across the room at Chamber of Commerce when Bert Huff found that the Chevrolet dealer had won the "pot." Bert called out, "Roice

Fullerton!"

The latter got up and started out of the room, thinking he was wanted on the phone. Bert caught on, let Roice go on out.

Few minutes later Fullerton was back, a perplexed look on his face. But he claims the last laugh. The telephone was off the hook and someone was on the other end, so he had a conversation whether it was for him or not—and Roice still collected the pot.

IF THOSE SCHOOL board meetings continue to go on until 1:30 a. m. we cannot guarantee to keep covering them and still get out a paper. After sitting through that 5 1/2 hour session, we're just no good the next day (Tuesday) which is the peak of production for the paper. The last three meetings have been extended until at least 1 a. m. Tuesday after starting at 8 p. m. Monday. That's a mighty long sit without stretching. But if it troubles us, we wonder at the board members. Take Harvey Warner, for instance. He comes all the way from Irrigon. When the meeting lets out at 1:30, he couldn't get home much before 2:30. He has to be up at 6:00 to get ready for work. When does the man sleep?

The board shows a devotion to duty by their faithfulness, but twice-monthly meetings would seem more reasonable with the hope of getting out say at 11 p. m.

Hardman Folks Take Trips

By CHARLOTTE WALKER

Mr. and Mrs. Bart Clark and Nonda went to Salem to attend the State Fair. Nonda was one of the dairy judges.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam McDaniel and Mr. and Mrs. Cary Hastings of Heppner drove to Monument last Sunday to visit the Frank Howell's.

John Allen, and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Allen and family of Hermiston were Sunday guests at the home of Alta and John Stevens.

Jeff and Kathy Marshall are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Kinard McDaniel.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Breeding of Hermiston spent Sunday with Mrs. Emma White.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Chapel and Cassie went to Pendleton Saturday to see the Round-Up parade.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Palmer went to Spokane over the weekend to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran McDaniel are in Baker visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan McDaniel, and Sammy.

Oma Cox of Heppner, visited in Hardman Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Musgrave of Monument were visitors at the John Stevens home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam McDaniel were in Pendleton Friday.

Miss Janet Wright of Portland, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright, for a few days.

Those going from here to Monument to the dance Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Vinson, Mrs. Emma White, Fran Heath, Dennis Dick and Mr. and Mrs. John Hawk.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Ball went to Kinzua Saturday evening.

Mrs. Maxine Mahon and family of Elgin visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McDaniel. Tom Mahon joined the Navy, and is now stationed at San Diego, California.

Mrs. Vern Batty, Mrs. Thelma Smethurst, Mrs. Evelyn Farens, Mrs. Emma White, Mrs. Sue Vinson, and Mrs. Charlotte Walker, went to Lexington Wednesday to attend a luncheon and an afternoon of bingo, at the Holly Rebekah lodge hall.

Mrs. Lena Bartness of Roseville, Calif., has been visiting at the Kinard McDaniel home, and with other friends and relatives. Her daughter, Mrs. Benny Doering and Tom of Sacramento, Calif., came to take her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Huston Lesley went to the Galena area over the week-end for grouse hunting. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Ford Sloan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ziegler, Estacada, visited her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Sweet, the first of the week.

A/3 Bill Irby, U. S. Air Force left Monday for his base in California after a two week furlough with relatives here.

On Labor Day week-end the Robert Abrams family visited Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Button in Aberdeen, Wn. While there Mr. Abrams and Mr. Button climbed Mt. Olympus.

Robert Abrams went to Bend on business over the week-end. He was accompanied by Bob Jepsen and both did some mountain climbing.

Mrs. W. H. Wolff and son Tommy flew to Wisconsin to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Falardeau, last week.

Red Hat Days Mean Good Sportsmanship

Red Hat Days start tomorrow, September 15, as an appeal to hunters for good sportsmanship with the hope of fostering better relations between the nimrods and farmers and other landowners.

Ralph Taylor is Morrow county chairman and he has been diligently working to promote the program here. Originally started as a one-day event several years ago, Red Hat Days are now emphasized through the hunting season.

It is an incongruous thing that some irresponsible hunters have made it tough on all of their fellows by their wanton actions in the past. Thousands enjoy hunting, and there is a particularly avid interest evident in Morrow county.

Hunters must know and realize that their best interests are served by being considerate with farmers' and landowners' property. Many owners have become impatient with destruction and careless acts of the thoughtless hunter and have closed their lands. It is a tribute to other farmers that they still allow hunting on their places, knowing that the majority of hunters are responsible good sportsmen.

The Bank of Eastern Oregon in this paper is sponsoring a message on Ten Commandments of Safety, another phase of the Red Hat program.

As this hunting season starts, let every hunter take it upon himself to be a good sportsman and carefully follow the creeds of Red Hat Days. This will foster good feeling between landowner and sportsmen and help assure good hunting for years to come.

We look forward to a season of good safe hunting and good sportsmanship.

It's Fall—Pigskins in the Air!

What better season is there than fall! Summer's heat is gone, and the air is crisp and lively. It's the natural time for football, and the pigskin sport has returned to Morrow county. Already the Ione Cardinals, under Coach Glenn Blehl, have one home victory to their credit and face a second opponent, Riverside, another fine Morrow county team, today (Thursday) at Ione.

Heppner's Mustangs, thumped by Enterprise there last Friday, make their home debut under new Coach Jim Sutherland against strong Umatilla at the fairgrounds Friday night. We hope that hundreds of local residents get out in the beautiful weather we have been having to support our teams. Let's back them 100%!

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Whitesmith and family traveled to Toppenish, Wn., to visit friends on Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Ekstrom and daughter, Vickie, La Grande, were houseguests of the Jack Heals during the rodeo.



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